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NEGOTIATIONS TO BEGIN

The Company - I.B.E.W. working agreement will expire on April 30 and both parties have agreed to begin negotiations on March 9 for a new contract.

President of Local 2043, Johnny Jones, has announced that International Representative Tony Buccella will be the spokesman for the Union. Assisting Mr. Buccella on the Negotiating Committee will be Johnny Jones, Bobby Hubble, William Smith, J. R. Whitehead and James Jewett.

Industrial Relations Manager Jim Mathewson will represent the Company and will be assisted by Del Burnett and Ed Abrams.

Negotiating sessions will be held at the Leland Motor Hotel. Following the initial meeting on March 9, the next scheduled meeting will be held on March 23.

NEW PRODUCTION AND QUALITY

CONTROL MANAGERS NAMED



Paul Mifsud, left, and Keith Gabbard, right, congratulate each other on their recent promotions.



JOE RUDA JOINS MERCURY



Joseph Ruda

An important addition was made to local plant management when Joe Ruda joined the Mercury Staff as Engineering Manager on February 23.

Mr. Ruda had been affiliated with Capitol Records in Scranton, Pa., for 11 years prior to coming to Mercury. Starting as Manufacturing Engineer, he was promoted to Director of Plant Engineering in 1964. Last year he was assigned to the design, layout and construction of a new record plant at Winchester, Va., and has continued as Director of Plant Engineering during its initial operating period.

Receiving a B.S. degree in Physics from the University of Scranton in 1957, Mr. Ruda also attended the Newark College of Engineering. In his new position with Mercury, he will report to Lloyd Shaw and be responsible for all engineering functions at the local plant.

Mrs. Ruda and five children are currently residing in Winchester, Va., until housing is obtained in the Richmond area.